IX. RECONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER BOUNDARIES FOR THE LOCKVILLE HISTORIC COMPLEX

As part of the data recovery plan for the Lockville historic property, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has agreed to prepare a revised version of the National Register of Historic Places nomination form to reflect the new information obtained about the Lockville Lock, Dam and Powerhouse historic property. The original boundaries of the National Register property are shown in Figure 34. Note that all of the property except a small extension of the dam, falls within Chatham County and lies on the north side of the Deep River.

The revised nomination form will be prepared as a separate document from this report, so a detailed description of the recommended revised site boundaries need not be described here. However, a general view of the recommended boundary is presented in Figure 34. The new boundary is set to include archaeological, architectural and industrial properties not now contained within the site. This includes residential areas, commercial areas, streets and road traces, bridges and industrial sites now known to exist along the canal. Some of these important historical and landscape features are:

- a. Dam and Pooling Area (Lock Gate) at northwest end of canal;
- b. Ridge north of dam (west of Highway 1) which contains traces of old road and house structures (univestigated);
- c. Hillslope and ridgetop north of canal (east of Highway 1) containing Parham House (National Register eligible) and other house and outbuilding sites, part of Lockville residential community;
- d. Major Terrace and low riverside area east of NCDOT study area fronting onto Canal Street;
- e. Additional commercial area along Canal Street east of current NCDOT study area;
- f. Other industrial and residential sites on hillsides and lower terrace to southeast;
- g. Powerplant and canal locks on downstream end of canal;
- h. Stone bridge piers and abutments of nineteenth century covered bridge in and on either side of Deep River;
- i. Ramsey's Mill site;

j. Lockville Canal and Other areas along the canal where industrial sites are known to have been located.

While additional archaeological investigation within the proposed site boundaries would be needed to verify and define the various features contained within the site, an endeavor that falls outside the scope of any NCDOT involvement, the proposed boundaries encompass the core of the industrial center of Lockville.

